GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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BOOKING OF RAIL TICKETS ON MOBILE PHONES
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has introduced a facility to book rail tickets over mobile phones;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this facility is available from Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited and Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the money charged/to be charged from the subscribers for availing this facility?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R.VELU)

(a) & (b): The scheme for purchase of reserved rail tickets through mobile phones has been launched through Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation Ltd. (IRCTC).

(c): No Sir.

(d): Does not arise.

(e): Mobile phone booking is done through the Internet. Railways do not levy any extra charges other than Internet booking charges for the facility of booking on mobile phone.